

## REMARKS

In response to the official office action of November 25, 2003, applicants have canceled claims 1-4 in view of the prior art. Applicants have also rewritten claim 5 as a new base claim including the limitations of the original base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants have amended the description of Figure 3 in the specification to overcome the examiner's objection. Applicants disagree with the examiner's rejection of claims 5 & 6 under 35 U.S.C. 103, because none of the stated prior art describes nor suggests putting wound-sealing wax in combination with honey upon gauze which is attached to the support strip of material. Lloyd et al describes a tearable composite strip of material, but does not describe combining honey and wound-sealing wax and putting them upon the gauze. Molan describes a honey based wound dressing, but does not describe or suggest putting wound-sealing wax with the honey on the dressing. Mousa describes a honey preparation including beeswax, but does not teach the feature of putting honey and wound-sealing wax on the gauze which is attached to the support strip of material. The feature and limitation of disposing wound-sealing wax upon the gauze along with the honey is not described, nor suggested in any of the prior art. Nowhere is it suggested nor disclosed to dispose wound-sealing wax on gauze alone or in combination with honey other than in the present invention. As result, this particular feature and limitation is not obvious.

Applicants have not added any new subject matter to the claims and respectfully request that the examiner takes the foregoing into consideration and that they be granted Letters Patent for their invention.

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